

## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

There is provided an automatic processing apparatus which can protect the secret items of the validator, easily provide a measure for change of bank note and reduce the manufacturing cost. A validation processing unit provided in the side of an automatic processing apparatus to validate the bank note is mounted in the side of a host computer and a unit for transferring the featuredata obtainedwiththesensor unit to the host computer from the automatic processing apparatus and a unit for transferring the validation result obtained with the validation processing unit to the automatic processing apparatus from the host computer are also provided. On the occasion of executing the discrimination process with one unit or a plurality of units of the host computer for a plurality of automatic processing apparatuses, the apparatus ID number for validating the feature data and apparatus is transferred to the host computer from the automatic processing apparatus.